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HEATED WINDABLE RIGID DUCT FOR TRANSPORTING FLUIDS,

PARTICULARLY HYDROCARBONS

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AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed 12 May 2006 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

FEE CALCULATION

If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed. NO. CLAIMS HIGHESTNO. ADDIT. AFTER **PREVIOUSLY RATE** FEE **AMENDMENT** PAID FOR EXTRA PRESENT (\$25 SE or \$50) \$0 **TOTAL MINUS** ** = (\$100 SE or \$200) \$0 **MINUS** FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM X (\$180 SE or \$360) * not less than 20 ** not less than 3 TOTAL \$

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CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

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SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

- 1. ___ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
- 2. X If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
- 3. ___ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
- 4. X If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.